

MACKINAC BRIDGE AUTHORITY

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March Traffic Report

Robert J. Sweeney, Executive Secretary of the Mackinac Bridge Authority, reported today that 217,800 vehicles crossed the Mackinac Bridge during the month of March. This represents a 2.5 percent decrease when compared to the 223,317 crossings during March 2007.

Fare revenue for the month of March was up 15.8 percent and 2.6 percent for the year, compared to 2007. This increase is due to the recent toll restructuring that was implemented on March 1, 2008.

Mr. Sweeney reported that construction activity is in full swing at the Mackinac Bridge. He asks that travelers drive with extreme caution during the construction season, slow down, be aware of our construction workers, and “Give ‘em a Brake”.

	Traffic	Traffic	%	Fare	Fare	%
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>Inc.</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>Change</u>
January	180,895	198,878	-9.0	\$711,793	\$763,991	-6.8
February	194,395	204,068	-4.7	\$757,109	\$773,945	-2.2
March	217,800	223,317	-2.5	\$960,341	\$829,402	15.8